

the senators the house is under call. Would the senators please be seated. Would you please check in. Senator Hillman, please check in. Senator Warner, Senator Wesely, Senator Rasmussen, please check in. Senator Wesely, Senator Rasmussen, Senator Warner, please check in. Senator Lindsay, both senators are on their way up. Do you wish us to proceed? We'll proceed with a roll call vote on the Lindsay motion to bracket.

CLERK: (Read roll call vote. See pages 1838-39 of the Legislative Journal.) 20 ayes, 20 nays.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Motion fails. I will raise the call, and, Senator Wehrbein, do you wish to speak to the bill itself, I'm sorry, on the Byars amendment?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: No, I won't speak on the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Does anyone else wish to speak to the Byars amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Byars?

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'll just take a minute of your time so we can move on to the bill. I think everyone clearly understands at this point what I'm attempting to do by this amendment. I have had a number of you come to me who have said that you can support the amendment and I know that you're having difficulty with the bill. I would hope that you would support the amendment and the bill. I feel that sooner or later we're going to have to address this. I don't think that anyone in this body wants to go back home and explain to their constituency that they are going to allow their property taxes, their real property taxes to be increased through absolutely no fault of their local subdivisions whatsoever and I would like to have you consider that. We have set a precedent in wanting to participate to help fund these issues. I think we have been very responsible in doing so and I would ask you once again to please support the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Byars. We will now vote on the Byars amendment to LB 1135. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted?

SENATOR BYARS: I would ask for a call of the house, roll call vote.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We have a request for a call of the house. All